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March 1, 2007

Fred Craft U. S. Energy 877 North 800 West Riverton, Wyoming 82501

Subject: Surety Adjustment and Release of 5.10 Acres, U. S. Energy, Tony M/Lucky Strike

Mine, M0170001, Task 601, Garfield County, Utah

Dear Mr. Craft:

On January 18, 2007, Division Director John Baza signed an addendum to the reclamation contract for the Tony M/Luck Strike Mine reducing the required surety amount to \$21,300.00. The disturbed area has been reduced to 23.95 acres. Other disturbed areas have either been satisfactorily reclaimed or they have been permitted, bonded, and redisturbed. A copy of the addendum is enclosed.

The Division needs to receive a new map showing those areas that have been released and the areas that are still included under the reclamation contract. It should be submitted as an amendment to your mine plan. The areas still included in the surety include the majority of the waste pile, all of the ore piles, the headtank, and a 0.49-acre topsoil storage area near the impoundment. Other areas, such as the portals, the vent shafts and access roads, the pipeline, the pond, and the Lucky Strike Mine and access road, have been redisturbed or have been satisfactorily reclaimed.

Please submit two copies of the new map by March 30, 2007. If you have questions about what needs to be included on the map, please contact Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: Addendum No. 1 to Reclamation Contract

cc: Buzz Rakow, Hanksville BLM

Will Stokes, SITLA

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